

City of Tukwila City Council

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Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

To Whom it May Concern:

We are deeply concerned regarding the notice of inquiry to redefine broadband speeds from 25 mbps to 10 mbps. Broadband access is vital in education, business, and government. Reducing the standards for broadband accepts the status quo of the current state of US broadband, and will permanently put the United States behind the rest of the developed world in providing quality access to all. In the city of Tukwila, we strive to provide our communities with the best services possible to live, work, and play. One way we do that is by pushing our local service vendors to provide affordable quality telecommunications services. This proposal would only serve to harm our efforts and give vendors and providers an excuse not to provide quality services to our residents. In addition, this could potentially increase the cost of services, and while providing lower quality. We urge you not to redefine broadband speeds to the detriment of our community.

Sincerely,

Dennis Robertson, Council President